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## TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Transmitted herewith in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 11, 2002 for the above-identified application, are the following:

- ☒ Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (10 pages)
- ☒ Transmittal with Certificate of Mailing (3 pages)
- ☒ Return Postcard.

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# Fee Calculation for Extra Claims:

BASIC FILING FEE:							
Total Claims	25	-	56	=	0	x	\$18.00
Independent Claims	3	-	6	=	0	x	\$84.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	\$280	(if applicable)					\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS							\$0.00
Reduction by 1/2 for Filing by Small Entity, if applicable, as asserted above. Note 37 CFR §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28.							\$0.00
Misc. Filing Fees (Recordation of Assignment -- \$40)							\$0.00
TOTAL FEES DUE HERewith							\$0.00

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply.

## Request for Extension of Time:

- ☐ Applicant(s) petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)] for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$200.00	\$400.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$460.00	\$920.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$720.00	\$1,440.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$980.00	\$1,960.00
Fee		\$0.00

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- ☐ Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed to cover the above fee(s).
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Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Raymond Guzman et al.

Serial No.: 09/476,141

Filed: January 3, 2000

For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR  
IMPLEMENTING AND ACCESSING VIRTUAL  
DATABASE TABLE STRUCTURES

Group Art Unit: 2172

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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 11, 2002, please enter the following amendments:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 10, 12, 15, 21-22, 24, 29-30, and 32 as indicated below. Claims 16 and 33-56 remain unchanged. Please cancel claims 1-9, 11, 13-14, 17-20, 23, 25-28, and 31. It is noted that the present claim amendments and cancellations are being made without acquiescence in any stated reasons for rejections or prejudice to pursue in a later application.

10. (Amended) A process for accessing a virtual table comprising:
- identifying a first data source;
  - associating a first record within said first data source to a virtual table;
  - accessing said first record;
  - identifying a second data source;